Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

1993 Resnick, B. and B.A. Munford

Phase II Archaeological Site Evaluation of the Clifton Site (18CH358), Charles County,

Maryland.

Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration

Library ID No: 00005785 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 51

Sites examined:

18CH358

NRHP Eligible: Y

Justification

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase II X

Phase III

The Clifton Site was first identified in 1991 during a Phase Ib investigation in an area proposed for wetland replacement to mitigate the impact of MD 228 construction work on natural wetlands. Grading and flooding would result in significant alteration of the site and based on the Phase Ib findings, the site was recommended for Phase II testing.

MAC Accession: 1996.036.001

Research Firm/Institutution:

GAI Consultants, Inc. 570 Beatty Road Monroeville, PA 15146

Project Objectives:

-Define the site boundaries, both vertical and horizontal, within the limits of the proposed project impact area.

-Determine the chronological components represented at the site.

-Evaluate the potential of the site to yield information on artifact distributions and activity areas.

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-Assess the potential of the site to yield preserved floral and faunal samples.

-Evaluate the site's potential to yield information on prehistoric subsistence and settlement patterns.

-Determine the extent of post-depositional mixing and disturbance at the site.

-Assess the presence of intact or stratified deposits. Correlate such deposits with specific occupations at the site.

-Determine the presence of intact subsurface features.

-Identify the type of lithic resource exploitation represented at the site, and attempt to determine variation in the resource exploitation over time.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18CH358.

REPORT INFORMATION:

1994 Barse, W. P. and A. D. Beauregard

Phase III Data Recovery at the Clifton Site (18CH358), Maryland Route 228 Wetland

Mitigation, Charles County, Maryland.

Submitted to the Maryland State Highway Administration

Library ID No: 00005789 Catalog/Shelving ID: CH 55

Sites examined:

18CH358

NRHP Eligible: Y

Justification

Research Firm/Institutution:

KCI Technologies, Inc. 5001 Louise Drive, Suite 201 Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III Х Project Justification:

The Clifton Site was first identified in 1991 in an area proposed for wetland replacement to mitigate the impact of MD 228 construction work on natural wetlands. Grading and flooding would result in significant alteration of the site and based on the Phase II findings, the site was recommended as eligible for NRHP listing. Phase III work was carried out to mitigate the impact of the proposed wetland.

MAC Accession: 1996.037.001

Project Objectives:

-Make determinations regarding site formation processes and archeological context.

-Document the site's culture history or chronology.

-Identify site function and functions of any identifiable isolated

Research Potential:

Both the prehistoric and historic deposits at 18CH358 would have been largely destroyed by subsequent construction of the MD 228 wetland area at the site. While the prehistoric deposits appear to have been well-documented, questions remain regarding the 18th century occupation. It is not know if any portions of this component remain, outside the area impacted by grading and subsequent flooding to create the wetland. Thus, the research potential of 18CH358 remains uncertain.